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Idaho Sugarbeet Acreage Lowest Since 1977

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the June Agricultural Survey. Acreage and grain stocks for selected crops are reported.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

William R. Meyer
Director

Planted acreage of sugarbeets is estimated at 131,000 acres, down 22 percent from the 169,000 acres planted in 2007. Acres of sugarbeets for harvest are expected to total 117,000, a decrease of 30 percent from last year's 167,000 acres harvested. This is the lowest planted and harvested acreage for sugarbeets in Idaho since 1977. Idaho's spring wheat seedings, at 540,000 acres, are up 15 percent from the 470,000 acres planted in 2007. Harvested acreage is set at 520,000 acres, an increase of 70,000 acres from last year. Winter wheat seedings of 870,000 acres increased 16 percent from the previous year. Harvested acres are expected to total 810,000 acres, down 30,000 acres from the June 1 forecast, but up 100,000 acres from 2007. Area planted to durum wheat is unchanged from last year at 15,000 acres, with 15,000 acres also expected to be harvested for grain. Barley acreage planted is estimated at 540,000 acres, 5 percent less than last year's 570,000 acres. Harvested acreage is expected to total 520,000, down from 550,000 acres harvested in 2007. Acres seeded to oats totaled 70,000, unchanged from last year. Acres harvested for grain are estimated at 20,000, also unchanged from last year. The area planted to corn, at 330,000 acres, is up 20,000 acres from last year's record high. Corn to be harvested for grain is forecast at 105,000 acres, equal to last year's record high.

Dry bean planted acreage is down 17 percent to 75,000 acres planted with 73,000 acres expected to be harvested. Estimates for dry bean acreage include garbanzo beans, which are grown primarily in North Idaho. Idaho farmers and ranchers are expected to harvest 1.46 million acres of all hay, down 3 percent from last year. Alfalfa hay harvested is at 1.13 million acres, down 6 percent from last year while other hay is estimated at 330,000 harvested acres, up 10 percent from 2007.

For the U.S., corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 87.3 million acres, down 7 percent from last year. Despite the decrease, corn planted acreage is the second highest since 1946, behind last year's total of 93.6 million acres. Growers expect to harvest 78.9 million acres for grain, down 9 percent from 2007. Winter wheat planted area, at 46.6 million acres, is 4 percent above last year. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 40.3 million acres, up slightly from the June 1 forecast and up 12 percent from last year. Area planted to other spring wheat is estimated at 14.2 million acres, up 7 percent from 2007. Grain area is expected to total 13.8 million acres, up 6 percent from last year. Durum planted area for 2008 is estimated at 2.66 million acres, up 24 percent from last year. Area harvested for grain is expected to total 2.58 million acres, 22 percent above 2007. Barley growers seeded 4.13 million acres for 2008, up 3 percent from the 4.02 million acres seeded a year ago. Acres for harvest, at 3.64 million, are up 4 percent from the 2007 level. Oats planted totaled 3.47 million acres. This 8 percent decrease from the previous year will bring the oat crop to another record low level. Growers expect to harvest 1.44 million acres compared with 1.51 million in 2007. Area planted to sugarbeets totals 1.08 million acres, down 15 percent from 2007. Harvested area is forecast at 1.03 million acres, down 18 percent from 2007. Dry bean planted acreage, at 1.40 million acres, is down 8 percent from last year. Acres to be harvested are forecast at 1.34 million, down 9 percent from 2007. Producers expect to harvest 60.4 million acres of all hay in 2008, down 2 percent from 2007. Alfalfa hay harvested acreage is estimated at 20.8 million acres, down 4 percent from last year.

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Planted and Harvested Acreage 2007-2008 Idaho & U.S.

Crop	Planted		Harvested ^{1/}	
	2007	2008	2007	2008
Thousand Acres				
IDAHO				
All Wheat	1,235	1,425	1,175	1,345
Winter Wheat	750	870	710	810
Durum Wheat	15	15	15	15
Spring Wheat	470	540	450	520
Field Corn ^{2/}	310	330	105	105
Oats	70	70	20	20
Barley	570	540	550	520
All Hay	--	--	1,500	1,460
Alfalfa Hay	--	--	1,200	1,130
Other Hay	--	--	300	330
Sugarbeets	169	131	167	117
Dry Beans ^{3/}	90	75	89	73
UNITED STATES				
All Wheat	60,433	63,457	51,011	56,586
Winter Wheat	44,987	46,605	35,952	40,252
Durum Wheat	2,149	2,655	2,112	2,583
Spring Wheat	13,297	14,197	12,947	13,751
Field Corn ^{2/}	93,600	87,327	86,542	78,940
Oats	3,760	3,467	1,505	1,443
Barley	4,020	4,130	3,508	3,640
All Hay	--	--	61,625	60,439
Alfalfa Hay	--	--	21,670	20,778
Other Hay	--	--	39,955	39,661
Sugarbeets	1,268.8	1,080.1	1,246.8	1,027.3
Dry Beans ^{3/}	1,526.9	1,398.0	1,478.7	1,339.2

1/ 2008 Forecasted. 2/ Harvested acres are for grain only. 3/ Includes garbanzo beans, excludes beans grown for garden seed.

June 1 Grain Stocks

Idaho's June 1 wheat stocks in all positions totaled 8.29 million bushels, down 13 percent from the 9.53 million bushels in storage June 1, 2007. Barley stocks in all positions June 1 totaled 11.3 million bushels, down 39 percent from last year's 18.3 million bushels.

Nationally, all wheat stored in all positions on June 1, 2008, totaled 306 million bushels, down 33 percent from a year ago. The March – May 2008 indicated disappearance is 404 million bushels, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier. Barley stocks in all positions on June 1, 2008, totaled 68.2 million bushels, down 1 percent from June 1, 2007. The March – May 2008 indicated disappearance is 42.2 million bushels, 12 percent below the same period a year earlier. Oats stored in all positions on June 1, 2008, totaled 66.8 million bushels, 32 percent above the stocks on hand June 1, 2007. Corn stocks in all positions on June 1, 2008, totaled 4.03 billion bushels, up 14 percent from June 1, 2007. The March – May 2008 indicated disappearance is 2.83 billion bushels, compared with 2.53 billion bushels during the same period last year.

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